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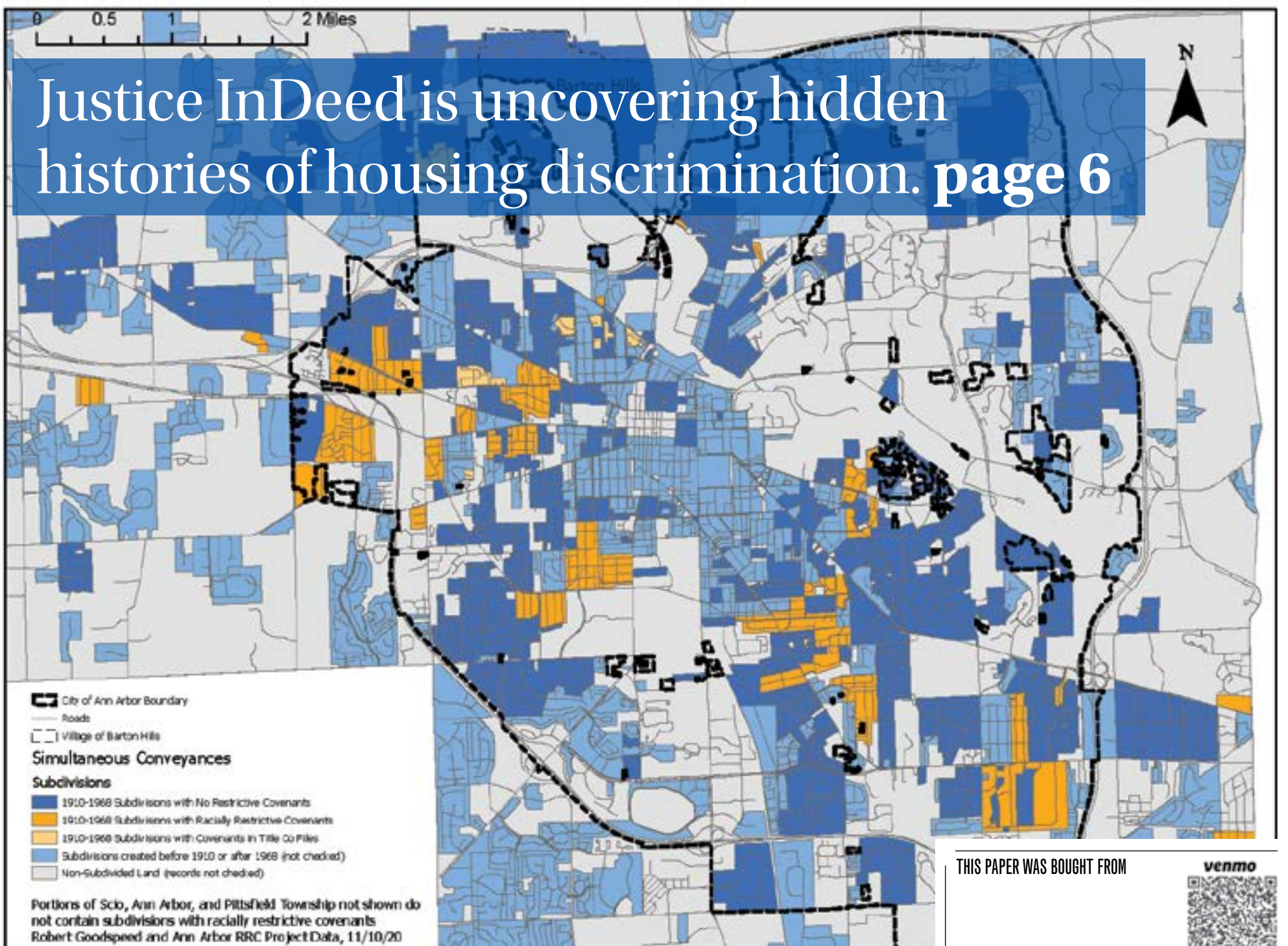


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Move the Money

“Money talks, bullshit walks” is a common expression in bars and on the street. It says something about the centrality of money in our life. It may be on your mind so much that you look forward to happy hour if you have a few bucks to spare.

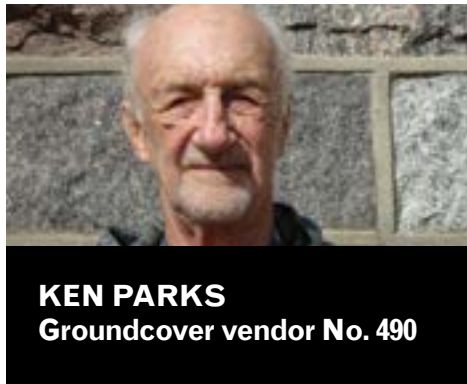
In the debates on the wording of the Declaration of Independence, “pursuit of wealth” was replaced by “pursuit of happiness” as the best expression. Happiness won the debate as capitalists knew the accumulation of wealth is happiness. Gold is god as the Spanish told indigenous peoples about their disease that only gold could cure.

We see the rise of gold again as currencies explode in the war-based financialization and sanctions economy of the “rules based order,” also called the Washington consensus. Wall Street is the temple of global financial flows and “War Is A Racket” as Major General Smedley Butler taught us in 1935. When we realize that public money funds the war system at the expense of health care, education and infrastructure, the shock may be so great that we will be tempted by denial and scapegoating. Even the refugees at the border may not fully understand how their economies were destroyed, but they do know how to follow the money trail to the United States. Noam Chomsky and Michael Hudson teach us a lot about the global financialization in this epoch of neoliberal imperialism and the drive to turn conflicts into war. The money trail to war is astronomical. The waste is legendary. That is public money. What is our responsibility? If we succumb to fatalism we will face apocalypse together.

I was fortunate to get a ride to the Hamtramck Library for the first meeting of the Move The Money Coalition. It began from conversations with Veterans For Peace, Michigan Peace Council and Peace Action. Some 30 persons responded to the invitation and committed to a new level of struggle. It’s time to stand up and organize for responsible use of public money. Imagine if the military budget was used to clean up the toxins that result from bases and operations. Many reparations have not been paid as the war plays out in other ways.

Think of all the agent orange and more that was dumped on southeast Asia. The number of unexploded devices on the ground in all war zones is incalculable. Imagine if America began to clean up the mess.

When we are ready to understand money and take responsibility for its creation and use, we will begin to Move the Money from war to peace. The Youtube channel “Untold



KEN PARKS
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Histories” with historian Dr. Jeff Rich is a good summary of the Cold War and its aftermath. Diplomacy and negotiation are important skills. They begin with listening which may mean walking a mile in someone else’s shoes.

I listened to Lavrov’s presentation at the UN Security Council. It was an insightful look at how Russia understands the multilateral world as it emerges from Western hegemony and American exceptionalism. The NATO-driven war in Ukraine has the expressed purpose of regime change in Russia and the domination of the Eurasian landmass by Western investors. The CIA-backed Maidan coup in 2014 began the war that leapt forward in 2022 as Russia began military action to support the Russian-populated areas and its only naval base on the Black Sea. NATO covets this base in Crimea. So we have another forever war as the American military financial complex increases its declared full-spectrum dominance which begins with information control and the compliance narrative of good versus evil. We are now in the apocalyptic imagination which tempted President Reagan. His declaration of Star Wars was supported by many apocalyptic Christians, some of whom welcome nuclear war and the rapture of true believers into heaven.

I wrote “People’s Peace Bank” in the May 17 issue of Groundcover. Political economy is the most obvious context of our lives. I focused on the work of Richard Werner who did the experiment showing how loans create money out of nothing. I also recommend his video on the deep state. The main point is whether the loan promotes useful projects. There are many ways to waste money. The war system specializes in spectacular waste. “Vietnam War, The Last Secrets” is a YouTube video that chronicles the devastation of that war and the ongoing work to repair the damage.

International Day of Peace will be commemorated on September 21 on the commons next to the downtown Ann Arbor library. “End the whole war system” is the theme which will focus on the move to peace. We support Move the Money Coalition, a new



Cartoon by Izzy Hedin-Urrutia

formation of existing peace groups and activists who feel the urgency of the world at risk. It is said that cockroaches will be the last survivors of nuclear war. “On The Beach” is a great movie about the last humans after a nuclear war.

The belief that we can learn to take responsibility for our actions and change our behavior and to mature, faces the fatalism and habitual patterns of submission to the masters of violence. The power of the central planners and especially their bosses comes from the power we give them. If we use our power in more creative ways we can support a peaceful society. Our defense would be based in educated awareness of health and the mindful awareness of what needs to be done. In order to be reality-centered we need training in mindful mind and to give birth to calm and clear as our basic state of mind — the Olympic training to be who you really are.

A happy inner child and mature inner adult mentor. Everyone is smiling. When the student is ready the teacher will appear. This belief that we can learn and change is the core of Move the Money Coalition. Veterans for Peace, Peace Action and Michigan Peace Council (part of the U.S. and World Peace Councils) are together in this new formation that you can join. The next meeting is Saturday August 24 at noon, at the Hamtramck Library. We will report on plans for a public event. International Day of Peace will have updates.

The Ann Arbor Coalition Against War has been active since the Vietnam War. We do regular vigils at 5:30 p.m. on Fridays at Liberty and Fifth. We support International Day of Peace and Move the Money Coalition. We will work together for an October forum with candidates and movement leaders as we all learn to be fully

engaged in living for peace. No more genocide. No more mass shootings. No more beating of honor students to teach them a lesson. Love can flow from our hearts as a habit for every situation. Righteous anger can be an expression of great love.

It’s good to remember the peace sign which was created in 1958 using semaphore symbols for N and D, Nuclear Disarmament. South Africa and Israel were both provided assistance to develop nuclear weapons. One of the U.S. conditions for majority rule in South Africa was that they give up nuclear weapons. Everyone knows that Israel has nuclear weapons. Israel views Iran as their main enemy and wants to drag the United States into a war with Iran.

The doomsday clock is seconds from midnight. Now is the time to BAN THE BOMB and MOVE THE MONEY to peace. Let’s create beautiful peace signs as an expression of a peace culture. Politicians and candidates will be invited for Peace Day. Prepare for a Question and Answer session as we move the discussion to ceasefire and negotiations. Visualize Peace.

Ongoing education is available. Noam Chomsky’s “The State and Corporate Complex, A Threat To Freedom and Survival,” a podcast with the Hart Institute, is excellent place to start.

As we learn to share our resources, we can start with our situation among ourselves and extend it to the public pot, whether it be personal taxes or sharing the wealth of production. There is much to learn and do. Let’s take one step together and celebrate with another one. The all good expanse of primordial purity, you may say Allah or God, the Clear Light of the Void, these are like fingers pointing at the moon. Let’s breathe together for a life well lived.

A book review: You are found guilty of all counts, as charged

DAVID KE DODGE
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Political Repression in Modern America: from 1870 to 1976

a graduate school thesis by Robert Justin Goldstein, PhD, Political Science, U of Chicago Pub. by University of Illinois Press, Urbana and Chicago c. 1978, 2001

To the reader: “You are found guilty of all counts, as charged.”

“What!?” you protest, affronted; “Of what charges? Based on what evidence? In what court?” Such questions merit answers. The crimes you committed, and currently are committing, are copious — they include complicity in: loitering; disturbing the peace; vagrancy; impeding pedestrian traffic; peddling without a license; being a public nuisance; solicitation; disorderly conduct ... And the evidence against you is manifest: clearly, it is a crime to possess a “street paper,” and clearly, you are in possession of one.

“WHAT?” you say. “This is the United States! There’s such a thing as Freedom of the Press in this country. And since when is it illegal to possess a street paper? There’s not a court in this country that would entertain such bogus charges, much less enter a finding of ‘guilty.’ Good luck finding a District Attorney who would even touch such prosecution!”

In response, I refer you to page 518 of Goldstein’s graduate school thesis. Goldstein recounts the plight of the workers and vendors of “underground” newspapers, starting at least as early as October, 1968. In at least 13 cities across the nation, local police raided underground newspaper offices, sometimes without a warrant, seized “evidence” necessary to the functioning of the papers and damaged the offices, leaving behind gratuitous destruction. The papers’ staffs and vendors were arrested on a potpourri of charges — the police would go shopping for a charge which the courts would buy. If a charge wasn’t deemed “legit” by a judge, the police would try something else: vagrancy, littering, obstructing the sidewalk, possession of pornographic material, obscenity, instigating a riot, possession of marijuana; peddling without a license, possession of a

copy of an underground newspaper ...

You’re right; such arrests and prosecutions are unconstitutional. And, though the Supreme Court of the United States has a spotty record as ultimate defender of Constitutional Rights, it at least sometimes comes through. But the point is that these are the tools of political repression. As unjust and wrong as they may seem, these are the instruments The State may use to avoid change in the overall system.

And before you persist in your lawless possession of an underground newspaper you might ask yourself some questions and come up with candid answers: “Is time behind bars, awaiting justice, daunting?” “Is a criminal record daunting?” “Are your pockets deep enough?” and perhaps most telling, “Are you feeling lucky?” (Justice is a fickle mistress.)

Your answers to the last two questions are the most important, if you recognize the Truth that in the U.S. justice is a roulette wheel, and that the “house” has deep pockets, and is near-infinitely patient. This means that, when it comes to resistance to or deviance from the status quo, the “system” generally wins. The system, at worst, risks the draw of a court proceeding unfavorable to itself (oftentimes, a mere temporary inconvenience, with the precedent always being subject to eventual reversal). But win or lose at the wheel, the system — the house — will score a victory against you: you’ll think twice before you again let Groundcover News filter its way into your life. At a number of points in his book, Goldstein cites evidence that a mere atmosphere of endless harassment and litigation, however legally bogus, can decimate dissent among activists. The status quo will be a small bit safer.

Over the years of innumerable such victories, the status quo (as I call it) has become near-infinitely secure. An overriding theme of Goldstein’s book is that U.S. institutions, long accustomed to legal, tax, regulatory, property, protection and subsidization contexts “friendly” to their customary operations, are quite zealous that those contexts remain unchallenged and unchanged. Any proposal for reform which might truncate those contexts, or expand their

benevolence to new institutions or methods of operation deemed uncomfortable or inconvenient to those already legitimized, can expect severe resistance.

A reality of life in the United States of America is that nearly everything about the Constitution makes the status quo difficult to change. Slavery was abolished; what made it possible is that the nation was at war, and abolition of slavery made the North’s task easier. Labor unions were legitimized when the choice posed to the already legitimized business community was that of life under Communism, or that of life with labor unions in their plants.

The status quo can be changed, and in the past, when the status quo has been changed, I personally regard the outcomes to be a blessing. Thus, the emancipation of the slaves. Thus the Wagner Act and its legitimization of labor unions. The “legitimized” institutions can count on a veneer of due protection of the law not available to the “illegitimate” outsiders. The actual offense of Richard Nixon’s “plumbers” in entering the Democratic Party Headquarters during the Watergate scandal in the 1970s was one offense, and mild compared to a longstanding program of routine invasion and destruction of property and records in the Socialist Party Headquarters by the FBI. But Richard Nixon was guilty of something unthinkable, and unacceptable, even to his fellow Republicans — he had violated an unwritten code of what is right to do to an institution which has the blessings of being part of the status quo.

Between page 10 and page 15 of PRMA, Goldstein gives proper names of six companies serving as profit mechanisms which used at least two of those three components to fight workers: Pullman; US Steel Corporation; Republic Steel; General Motors; Pinkerton Detective Agency (which does not belong in a list of proper names of companies which served as a profit mechanism, it was listed as a company which illustrated the magnitude of the private police phenomenon); Pittsburgh Coal Company; Pennsylvania Coal and Iron Police (again, a tool of tycoons, rather than a profit mechanism); and

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FEATURED EVENT
FRIENDS OF YDL FALL BOOK SALE

Sept. 19-22 | See below for times
YDL-Whittaker

The Friends of YDL Book Sale is coming again this September! Book sale prices are \$1 for hardcovers, 25¢ for paperbacks, and 50¢ for oversize paperbacks. On May 19 there will be bags of books available for \$5, and some books will be sold for a reduced price.

- Sept. 19: 6-8pm (members-only sale)
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- Sept. 21: 11am-3pm
- Sept. 22: 1-4pm

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Justice InDeed is uncovering the hidden histories of housing discrimination in Washtenaw County

ANONYMOUS

Justice InDeed is a collaborative project dedicated to exposing the deeds of thousands of homes in Washtenaw County which contain "racially restrictive covenants" — or provisions prohibiting Black people and other minorities from living there. As a group of researchers, students, residents and community activists, they are working to:

- educate the community about the role these covenants and other racist housing policies played in causing segregation and economic inequality;
- repeal the covenants;
- and encourage the adoption of policies to repair the damage caused by systemic housing discrimination in Washtenaw County.

Here are some frequently asked questions (from the Justice InDeed website):

What are racially restrictive covenants? A racially restrictive covenant is part of a home's deed that prohibits people of certain races from buying and occupying property.

Why were racially restrictive covenants written into deeds? Racially restrictive covenants were one of many racist tools used by white homeowners and developers to ensure that neighborhoods remained segregated. While racial covenants were written into deeds of homes in Washtenaw County as early as 1912, their use became particularly widespread both in Washtenaw County and nationally beginning in the 1920s. Institutions and individuals

who wanted to enforce racial segregation saw racial covenants as an alternative to racially restrictive zoning, which the United States Supreme Court struck down as unconstitutional in 1917. Unlike racially restrictive zoning ordinances, which were enacted by the government, covenants were seen as private agreements. Both the U.S. Supreme (1926) and the Michigan Supreme Court (1922 and 1947) initially held that private individuals could enforce racial covenants in court to prevent people of color from living in their neighborhoods.

Are racially restrictive covenants legal? Not anymore. In 1948, the United States Supreme Court ruled that courts, as government bodies, could no longer enforce racially restrictive covenants — although the Court did not say they were illegal (*Shelley v. Kraemer*). Finally in 1968, Congress passed the Fair Housing Act, outlawing housing discrimination by private parties and making racially restrictive covenants patently illegal.

Although racially restrictive covenants are now illegal, they still exist as part of the deeds to thousands of homes in Washtenaw County. Restrictive covenants "run with the land," remaining on the title in perpetuity absent legal, legislative or other action. In other words, a change in ownership of the land of property does not alter existing covenants for the property.

If racially restrictive covenants are unenforceable and illegal, why should we care about them? Despite the fact that they are not enforceable today, racially restrictive covenants



remain on home deeds as repugnant reminders of the blatant racism that characterizes American housing practices and continues into the present day. Justice InDeed believes that it is critical to take action to address racially restrictive covenants because:

1. The covenants cause real harm now. Whenever homebuyers in Wash-tenaw County read their closing packets, they read that people of color – and sometimes non-Christians — are unwelcome in the neighborhood. It can be jarring and cause stigmatized injury. One local real estate agent told us that she knew of one would-be homebuyer who was so offended by a covenant that, even though it was unenforceable, he refused to close and decided to buy elsewhere. We see these covenants as similar to a "White Christians Only" sign at the entrance to a

subdivision today; while such a sign is unenforceable, it would be — and should be — distressing to all who see it.

2. Education about racism begins at home. Justice InDeed thinks that there is no better way to teach the residents of Washtenaw County of the pervasiveness of white supremacy than to show them the house they live in has a racially restrictive covenant. This knowledge would then serve as an entree to education about, for example, (a) how covenants denied people of color the opportunity to attain wealth through homeownership, (b) how they deprived people of color the opportunity to live in neighborhoods where their children would go to integrated schools, (c) the role of the federal, state and local government

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played encouraging racially restrictive covenants and denying mortgages to individuals who lived in areas without the covenants, and (d) the many other racist housing policies that contributed to segregation in Washtenaw County.

3. Education about restrictive covenants should impact current housing policy debates. When setting housing policy today, it is critical to know the history of housing discrimination in Ann Arbor. For example, there are those in Ann Arbor who wish to (1) stop development of new housing projects, (2) maintain one-family housing zoning throughout large parts of the city, and (3) prevent a dedicated source of funding for affordable housing. Policymakers need to understand that racially restrictive covenants and other racist housing policies caused current segregation in the city and how some of these proposals would effectively freeze discrimination in place.

What should be done about them? Currently, the process of repealing covenants on a home is complex, expensive and time-consuming. However, with guidance from our Advisory Board, Justice InDeed is in conversation with community partners about ways to repeal

racially restrictive covenants through neighborhood/community organizing, litigation and/or legislation. Justice InDeed is committed to finding ways to amend the deed and repeal the racial covenants without erasing or "whitewashing" history.

Would repealing the racially restrictive covenant in my neighborhood, or on my house erase or "whitewash" history? Absolutely not. Justice InDeed is strongly against erasing the history of discrimination. Under this project, Washtenaw County homeowners do not redact the racially restrictive covenants or physically remove the document from Register or Deeds files. Rather, we file a new amendment document that (1) explains the harm done by racially restrictive covenants, (2) repudiates and reveals the racist restriction, and (3) replaces it with a covenant prohibiting discrimination. So historians researching the chain of title on the property would both see the original language of the racial covenant and the amendment repealing the racially restrictive covenant. Plus, Justice InDeed is mapping all neighborhoods and homes in Washtenaw where racially restrictive covenants existed as a reminder of the pervasive and ugly history of housing discrimination in our county.

Author's experience

Now I want to add some personal views that involve rental properties that reflect racial and economic inequality and discrimination. The rule that a renter's income must be three times the rental rate is another way to say if you are not wealthy, then we don't want you to occupy our rental property. There are also a lot of landlords who won't consider low-income people at all who have Section 8 or a Housing Choice Voucher, and will not cooperate with this program. Then there are landlords who won't keep the rental properties up to standard knowing that most renters will tolerate sub-standard living conditions because they don't want to become homeless.

A lot of the leasing managers are not honest about some of their billing policies or practices. For example, I live in housing that did not make it clear that the property owner divides the water bill from a four-unit rental property into what is supposed to be your water bill payment each month. There are eight other renters from two other building units who use the laundry room washer. Who pays for that water? They expect you to pay the utility in full the same

day they give you a bill that is simply a p rintout they make — not from an official utility company. This is surely illegal! The rental payment portal has no way to designate what your payments are for. If I don't pay the utility in full, they take the money and say I did not pay my rent.

I feel inequities like this will always exist because money is more important than human life nowadays.

Justice InDeed was featured on Centering Justice Webcast. Listen to the conversation and hear how you can make an impact in unearthing our racialized history. If interested, reach out to justiceindeed@futurerooot.com.

Join Justice InDeed on Monday, August 26, 7-8 p.m. for a virtual work session (on Zoom) to further document racially restrictive covenants on property deeds. Register on the Events page on their website, justiceindeedmi.org



Ypsi entrepreneur shines: Esthetician expands business to men's cologne and candles

AMARI HAYES
Groundcover contributor

A local businesswoman is making waves with her unique blend of skin-care and fragrance products. Amari Hayes, a licensed esthetician, has been building a successful business for the past six years, offering not only top-notch skin and hair services but also a range of men's cologne and candles.

Amari's journey began with a passion for skincare and a desire to help people feel their best. Her spa, Enchanted Radiance Spa, quickly gained a loyal clientele thanks to her expertise and personalized approach. However, Amari's entrepreneurial spirit didn't stop there. Recognizing a growing market for high-quality men's grooming products and elegant home fragrances, she expanded her business to include a line of men's cologne and candles.

Expanding horizons

The decision to branch out into fragrance and candles was driven by Amari's commitment to enhancing her

clients' overall experience. "I wanted to offer something that complements the spa experience," she explained. "Men's cologne and candles are not just products; they are part of a lifestyle that supports relaxation and self-care."

Amari's cologne line is carefully curated to meet the diverse tastes of her male clients, while her candles are designed to create a soothing atmosphere at home. Her dual focus on esthetics and fragrance has proven successful, as her products are gaining popularity in Ypsilanti and beyond.

Community and growth

Local residents and visitors alike have embraced Amari's business. Her spa is known for its welcoming atmosphere and exceptional service, while her fragrance and candle products have become popular gifts and personal indulgences. "The products are a hit with everyone who values quality and craftsmanship," said local customer Mike Smith. "Her colognes and candles make excellent gifts and add a touch of luxury to everyday life."

Over the years, Amari has navigated the challenges of expanding her business, from managing increased inventory to marketing her new product lines. However, her dedication and innovative approach have enabled her to thrive. Her success story is a testament to the entrepreneurial spirit of Ypsilanti and the power of combining passion with business acumen.

As she looks to the future, Amari plans to continue growing her business and exploring new opportunities. "I'm excited about the possibilities ahead," she said. "There's always room for innovation and improvement, and I'm committed to delivering exceptional products and services to my clients." For now, Amari continues to serve her community with her skills and products, proving that with creativity and determination, a successful business can be built on a foundation of passion and hard work.

Advice for Groundcover vendors

"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can." – Arthur Ashe



Contact: For more information about Amari's esthetician services or her range of men's cologne and candles contact Enchanted Radiance Spa directly via phone, (810) 689-9849, email, enchantedradiancespa@gmail.com, or website enchantedradiance-spa.com

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- 2005 World Series losers
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- "Not a ___ too soon"
- Israel's Barak
- Prone
- See 23-Across
- LAX arrival
- Apply juice, as to a turkey
- Affectionate attention
- Start of a quotation by 17-/39-/59-Across, Jr.
- Item on a cowboy's belt
- 20-volume ref.
- Give off
- Like some synchronistic experiences
- Half a dance?
- Vietnamese holiday
- See 23-Across
- "Frasier" character
- Suffix for lemon or lime
- "Don't get any funny ___!"
- With 53-Down, "The Hustler" protagonist Felson
- "Joyful Girl" singer DiFranco
- Catchphrase
- End of the quotation
- "Free Willy" animal
- Build an extension on
- Maine city
- See 23-Across
- Bon Jovi's "Livin' ___ Prayer"
- German car manufacturer
- Computer messages
- Autumn air quality
- "Say Anything ..." actress Ione
- "Oh ___!" (cry of surprise)

DOWN

- Start of a Latin trio
- Costa del ___

3. "I don't want to know any more!"

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- Attack from the air
- "From ___ shining ..."
- Stealing sort
- Your and my
- "Bad" cholesterol letters
- Passage with locks
- Musical drama
- Scatter (about)
- Added frosting to
- Anxiety-free
- Letter on fraternity row
- Proceeded toward a target
- "Who's Who" group
- "Saving Private Ryan" craft: Abbr.
- Drudgery
- Pump part
- Author LeShan
- Ceased to 27-Down
- Diet guru Jenny
- Egypt's Mubarak
- Cortez's victim
- Skid row tippler
- Work on, as a manuscript
- "Alice" spin-off
- Gray subj.
- "Please stand for the national ___"
- Pessimistic
- "___ Pop" (Dr. Seuss classic)
- Rice-___
- Dump
- Exchange, as words
- See 44-Across
- "Leaving ___ Vegas"
- Arctic bird
- Fall back
- "O Sole ___"
- Chi-town trains
- Librarian's directive

Peace of mind

Yes, I might not have
A house
A car
Money
Credit
A bank account
Shares
A bridge card
A bathroom
An address
A mirror
Respect



But I neither have
A record
A woman
Children of mine
Bills
Rent
Dues
To fit
Enemies
To gamble
Shames
Pills to take
A doctor
To die or betray my beliefs
A label
Strings attached whatsoever
A mistress
Viciousness of any kind
I never lie
A dead line
A manager superior to take shit from
Arrows to run

I don't have to
I just do
A shift
To follow orders
Or a company policy
A bottle to keep me hanging
My milk makes me strong

I got a plan
There is so little time
And so much to do
I need help
We all do
Try profiling me
You'll see that
I hope
I do have a home
In my heart
For my friends
I keep my dignity
All these rules make me feel
free

Freely, I think

Wonders take me away
To the river
Spring water

Yes, I might
Have foreseen the future
As I listened to the birds
Filling my lungs with pure air

Yes, I might say
This town is so beautiful
Almost heaven
But sometimes
I just wish
I could see the stars

Hugging the tree

MARKONA LOVE
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In the fading light of this coming night
Darkness breaks for stars to pierce the void
Sparkles shining truth to those who hid
From a previous day's sun.

Now with the sun down, and the Moon up
A glow shows a diminished Love needed
To shine truth to the Light

We of a true Love are assembling an army
To guard our guiding light

Shining for all Humanity, a message is brought
By Our Conduit of Another Earthly
Species ... Kona Love

Yet, as a simple man, but a complicated Human
I experience Life at an immense intensity
That abounds in my soul, a great Joy.
Love and pain, like rain
Are felt in love within a congregation of them
And I.

Now a radiant sun shining,
Pours golden liquidity soaking my skin,
Overflowing my grail
With Love of Life's Light

Buds beneath my feet, spring from beneath
My toes
Burgeoning youth breaks thru a tucked nature
Am I the facilitator of the Incubator

My Heart layering blankets of
A gifted Love, indiscriminately,
Coddling friend and foe

Only The Creator and Love of Life
Cradle the knowledge of who was to be
Conduit or Messenger

Kona speaks directly to my majestic Heart
Once gifted by an impatient Creator
I stand in awe of under measured Love
Flowing thru myself ... As I shimmer,
Shine and suffer its glory.

This at times becoming a tragic wrestling
Between my heart and its imperfect
Mind of good intent

Within the weakness of a man's egg
Dark contrasts cut deep in hidden fathoms
Whipping myself at my post

Starry twinkles emanate my obligatory
Chore until this Mortal coils.

Here though, in the tall grasses of paradise
I hear flowers singing in a chorus of
Daffodils led by towering sunflowers

Finally, our Mother tree reconnects us
Skin to her bark, feet to her roots
See Kona then perch, reaching my gifted heart
Her message flow from across the Cosmos
As my heart gently weeps, seconds pound til my Earthly departure.

Love

BUK'E WYRM

Sometimes the way things seem the truth we esca-
late happens to temperate this dismay refrain hap-
pens to occlude us as is so fits the format framing.
The culture God is our surface to allow this genera-
tion some such decorations sort of happens these
developments sort augment stasis quote, "wasting"
and this has got to stations remove to replacing has
God sent into place on love we creating?

Some such savings

BUK'E WYRM

These these breed heart stings growing our dreams. The
same same much hac come of this lately has happened.
Enough just to come of and can self-correct their mecha-
nism subtle suggest our message fix this life lessons has
happened as can happen. How this happens some such
basic sanity soul contracting fractions above the refer-
ence so some happens just to give this back with you. All
we ever do not to fit the promotion wanting the most
Oceans motions has this pertains to what it is obvious
these things happen of their own accord God works in
mysterious ways to divine miracles to perform wonders
we get our truth to happen to.

Drowning heart (part 2)



Only if I knew,
For sure that you,
Were completely mine,
Not only part time,
You treat any other bitch,
Better than me,
Thatz just one more stitch,
Ta my drownin heart,
Only if you could see,
How itz tearin me apart,
Through thee last year,
I've cried those tears.

The way
life goes

EARL PULLEN
Groundcover contributor

No one knows the way
Life goes when life is young
And you are old thus I can
Say on that very day
I have lived life in a
Special way wondering what a special
Life holds when life is young
And you are old when dreams
Come true and all you can say
I have lived my life in a
Special way when day turns
Night and night turns day
I open my eyes and then I can
Say oh how I lived life
In a simple special way when
Day turns night and
Night turns day

➡ REPRESSION from page 5

Tennessee Coal Mine Company.

Each of these six companies were
given as illustrative of a large
number of events in U.S. labor his-
tory. It is inconceivable that, in view
of the prevalence of private police,
company towns, and deputization
of private police, as well as reliance
on state militias as strikebreakers,
that my "composite," as a literary
device, is far off from actual events
in U.S. history.

In the other 573 pages of the main
body of Goldstein, he describes in
exquisite detail the "recent" history
of political repression in the United
States, from 1870 to 1976. Political
repression in the United States has
gone through a number of transfor-
mations since 1870. In many ways,
U.S. political repression is now more

"polite" — no longer, to my knowl-
edge, do corporate tycoons (who
own company towns) hire thugs to
"keep order" in their towns, espe-
cially if threatened by the disorder
of striking workers. And then, after
the same thugs are safely implanted
at the plant gates, no longer do the

same tycoons enlist the aid of the
County Sheriff by deputizing the
thugs, thereby augmenting the
thugs' informally recognized power
(to beat on the said workers' heads
with clubs, without provocation)
and arrest the workers and turn
them over to the formal justice
system of The State, for "processing."
(See author's note.)

Such processing as done in the
past would probably now, in 2024,
alarm all but the most rabid
Cro-magnons of the Mitch McCon-
nells of the United States. It doesn't
really matter; such processing has
been supplanted by more polite —
and therefore more dangerous
(because less offensive to the sensi-
tivities of the general public) —
political repression.

The Ann Arbor District Library has
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Author's note: The scenario
described in this paragraph, of what
happened before repression became
"polite," as far as how tycoons
exploited the status quo, is a compos-
ite of a number of events described
by Goldstein. Here is a partial list of
Goldstein's terms: "company towns,"
see page 10; "thugs" (private police),
see page 11; "deputization," see page
13. I briefly and unsuccessfully
searched PRMA for a description of
a specific event in which, explicitly,
1), private police 2) entered a com-
pany town and not only assaulted
striking workers, but 3) used public
police powers to arrest the same
workers and turn them over to the
community's criminal justice system
for prosecution. But in view of the
plethora of occasions when at least
two of the three elements of political
repression were present in the
response of corporations to union
activism, the likelihood that there
have been occasions when all three
occurred seems great.

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Summer couscous salad

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Ingredients:

1 c. Moroccan couscous
1 1/2 t. kosher salt, divided
1/4 cup, plus 1 teaspoon olive oil, divided
2 T. lemon juice
1 T. dijon mustard
1 garlic clove, finely chopped
1 pint multi-colored cherry tomatoes, halved (about 1 1/2 cups)
1 cucumber, sliced and quartered (about 1 1/2 cups)
1/3 cup crumbled feta cheese
1/3 cup toasted, chopped walnuts
1/3 cup thinly sliced green onion
1/4 cup chopped Italian parsley
1 T. chopped fresh dill



Directions:

In a small pot, bring 1 cup of water to a boil. Stir in the couscous and 1 teaspoon of the salt. Remove from the heat, cover, and let sit for five minutes. Add 1 teaspoon of oil and fluff with a fork. Let this cool completely.

In a large bowl, whisk together the remaining 1/4 cup of oil, lemon juice, mustard, garlic, and the remaining 1/2 teaspoon of salt. Add the tomatoes, cucumber, feta, walnuts, green onion, and cooled couscous to the dressing and toss to coat. Stir in the parsley and dill. Serve chilled.

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